

# Castro Bitter at Sis And Blames the U.S.

Havana, July 2 (Combined Services)—Premier Fidel Castro said today that the defection of his sister, Juanita, was "very bitter and profoundly painful" to him.

"But I understand this is the price of being a revolutionary," he added.

## Accuses The U.S.

Castro said that Juanita's bitter denunciation of his regime, aired over a Mexico City TV program Monday night following her flight there, was "written in the United States Embassy in Mexico City."

(The embassy flatly denied it.)  
"(The charges) contain all the infamy which the imperialists have conceived against the Cuban revolution," Castro told newsmen at midnight Wednesday.

"They did not have any scruples in resorting to low and repugnant procedures which go beyond the limits universally respected.

"If I would have been one of those rulers who make millionaires out of their relatives, I would not have suffered this problem."

## Warns U. S. of Flights

He compared the defection to the division of American families during the Civil War.

Castro also seized the chance to condemn U.S. reconnaissance flights over Cuba and to warn:

"We are gradually acquiring the conditions and means of preventing illegal flights over Cuba."

## Juanita Told U.S. in '60 Of Rift With Castro

Washington, July 2 (Copley)—Juanita Castro, Fidel's 31-year-old sister, informed U. S. officials in Havana in mid-1960 of her decision to break with her brother's growing Communist conspiracy, Copley News Service has learned.

She told them then she would remain in Cuba as long as possible to help Cubans escape her brother's Communist tyranny.

"Obviously, she was gambling that Fidel wouldn't dare throw her into prison," said a U. S. official close to the Cuban scene, though she has been working in the underground for three years.

She had tried to talk her

brother out of plans for communizing Cuba, but was blocked by Celia Sanchez, his secretary.

In early 1963, she again advised U. S. officials of plans to flee. But it was not until late last month that she arranged asylum in Mexico. She flew to Mexico on a regular Cuban Airlines flight and remained in seclusion until her Mexico City press conference Monday night. Afterward she went into hiding.

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## F. CASTRO'S SISTER JUANA

—who lammed out to Mexico City and asked asylum there this week, is now revealed to have been passing information since mid-1960 to our Central Intelligence Agency about goings-on in Red Cuba. Also, Fidel's brother Raul is reported to have helped Juana make her getaway.

Wonder how Khrushchev and Mao like this evidence of how high, and how brilliantly, the CIA can penetrate in Commie governments. And with the Castro family split, how long can Fidel's dictatorship last?